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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: )  
Applicant: PADOAN, Massimo )  
Ser. No.: 10/815,743 ) Group Art Unit: 2837  
Filed: April 2, 2004 ) Examiner: GLASS, E D  
For: SYNCHRONIZATION DEVICE )  
PARTICULARLY FOR AT LEAST )  
TWO WINDSHIELD WIPERS )

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Sir,

**Substance of Interview**

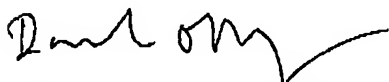
In response to the Office letter dated August 21, 2006, applicant herewith confirms that the substance of the Interview of 16 August 2006 was:

- i. agreement that the 112 objection should be overcome with amendments of the type made to claims 15, 17, and 22 with applicant's Amendment subsequently submitted by facsimile transmission on August 24, 2006;
- ii. applicant's submission that the claims patentably differentiate over the prior art of record including in particular **Welch** (US 5,468,026), for the specific reasons set forth in applicant's previous submission of April 21, 2006 including the detailed analysis of **Welch**; and
- iii. applicant's request that the Examiner re-consider more in depth the particular teachings of **Welch**, in accordance with applicant's

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amendments and comments of the subsequently submitted Amendment  
by facsimile transmission on August 24, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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